

STANDING COMMITTEE ON HOUSE OVERSIGHT, ELECTIONS, AND ETHICS

326 House Office Building

Wednesday 9:30 A.M.

March 15, 2006

Representative Ward, Chair, called the meeting to order.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Representatives Ward, Elsenheimer, Gaffney, Meisner and Gillard.

Representative Elsenheimer moved, supported by **Representative Gaffney**, to approve the minutes of the **March 8, 2006** meeting.

There being no objection, the motion prevailed by **unanimous consent**.

The Chair laid **HB 5852** before the committee.

HB 5852	Ward	Elections; special elections; use of state funds for special elections to fill a vacancy in the state senate or house of representatives; require.
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Representative Ward, sponsor of **HB 5852**, explained his bill to the committee. Questions and discussion followed.

Brad Comment, representing the Michigan Association of Counties, submitted a testimony card in support of **HB 5852**.

Doug Novak, representing the Secretary of State, testified in support of **HB 5852**.

Representative Elsenheimer moved, supported by **Representative Gaffney**, to report **HB 5852** with recommendation.

The motion prevailed by **a vote of 3-2-0**.

FAVORABLE ROLL CALL:

Yeas: Representatives Ward, Elsenheimer and Gaffney

Nays: Representatives Meisner and Gillard,

Pass: None.

HB 5852 reported out with recommendation.

With no further business to come before the committee, **the Chair** adjourned the meeting, the time being **9:50 a.m.**

Representative Ward, Chair

Date Approved and Signed

Dave Mead
Committee Clerk
March 15, 2006
20 minutes